

Amendments to the Abstract

Please substitute the paragraph presented on the next page for the abstract now appearing in the currently filed specification:

A household appliance includes a body having a front, an appliance port including a cooling air inlet port and/or a vapor exhaust port disposed on the body, and a door. A console-type user control and display unit is provided including a control and display element, a housing, and control electronics disposed in the housing. The control electronics provide signal communication with the control and display element and with power electronics of the household appliance. At least a first portion of the user control and display unit is disposed on the door so as to be cooled by a flow of ambient air and so as to shield, when the door is in a closed position, the appliance port from view in a direction perpendicular to the front of the body.